

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 280

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Chris Young and the Holy Rosary Middle School Girls' Basketball Team on winning the 2005 Parochial League Tournament Championship.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those successful middle school athletic teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, the Holy Rosary Middle School Lady Viking girls' basketball team is one such team that recently won the 2005 Parochial League Tournament Championship; and

WHEREAS, through diligence, dedication, and hard work, they maximized their considerable talents and reached the pinnacle of middle school athletics; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Chris Young provided expert guidance and leadership for these young ladies throughout their outstanding season; and

WHEREAS, the exceptional members of this basketball team include: Stephany Schroder, Sarah Otten, Anna Parkerson, Ashley Hammer, Ashley Powell, Shelby Haley, Caroline Byrne, Kristin Slusar, Sarah Campbell, Jillian Hinesley, Natalie Burr, and Caitlin Stephens; and

WHEREAS, showcasing great amounts of ability and determination during the regular season, the Holy Rosary Middle School girls' basketball team had a thirteen game winning streak and another stretch of nine victories in ten games; and

WHEREAS, displaying the skill and character which had powered their tremendous success throughout the season, the Holy Rosary Middle School Lady Vikings played with great intensity to finish with a commendable 31-8 win-loss record; and

WHEREAS, an extremely talented and hard working basketball team, the Lady Vikings defeated their long-time rivals, St. Henry, in an overtime win in the finals to claim the Parochial League Championship Crown and avenge the Lady Viking's only loss in league play; and

WHEREAS, no strangers to excellence, the Holy Rosary Middle School girls' basketball team captured the Parochial League Tournament Championship Title in 2002 when they also beat St. Henry; and

WHEREAS, the lady basketball players at Holy Rosary Middle School epitomize all that is good in today's student-athlete, as they have achieved the highest level of success on the court while showing the greatest degree of character both on and off the court; they inspired the Holy Rosary student body and united their entire community while completing their triumphant run through the 2005 season; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young women not only made possible a championship basketball season, but also surely bode well for their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the Holy Rosary Middle School girls' basketball team for their success on the court and to thank them for serving as fine examples of Tennessee's youth; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we join with the administration, faculty, staff, students, and fans of the Holy Rosary Middle School girls' basketball team in celebrating the Lady Viking's 2005 Parochial League Tournament Championship and honor and commend the talented young women who achieved this supreme success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we wish the lady Vikings much continued success and happiness in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.